

Dalton Development Partnership
Minutes of the Meeting Held 7 June 2006 in the Town Hall, Station Road,
Dalton in Furness at 7pm

Present

D J O'Connor – Dalton Town Council D Brook – Cumbria County Council
M Martindale – Dalton Community Association V Robinson – Furness Enterprise
G Murray – Barrow Borough Council P Huck – Barrow Borough Council
A Greenhalgh – Cumbria County Council
A Mitchell – Churches Together (Arrived 7.40pm)

Agenda Item		Action
1.	Apologies for Absence D O'Connor – Dowdales School	
2.	Declarations of Interest M Martindale declared an interest in agenda item 3a Future of Drill Hall	
3.	Minutes of the last Meeting and Matters Arising	
a	<u>Future of Drill Hall</u> M Martindale gave a verbal report on the meeting between members of the DCA Trustees and Dalton Community Partnership trust. A public meeting to discuss a proposal from DCPT to site the planned Arts Centre on the site of the Drill Hall had been agreed and was likely to be held within the next two months. Each organisation in the town would be invited to send a representative. MM is to report back after public meeting. Refurbishment of the Drill Hall was going ahead in the interim. The Committee noted the report.	MM
b	<u>District Audit</u> P Huck reported that he had spoken to District Audit at length although no feedback had yet been received. It was also reported that the Town Council had not received any information on their visit from the District Auditor either.	
c.	<u>Minutes of the Meetings</u> A request had been received for copies of DDP Minutes. Following discussion it was agreed that minutes would be made available to members of the public if requested and also submit the minutes on the Dalton Online Website.	FT

<p>d</p> <p>e</p>	<p><u>Project Worker</u> Derek Brook gave details on the proposed arrangements for the employment and funding of a dedicated project worker to be shared between Askam and Ireleth and Dalton with Newton Town Council. Information sheets were provided to committee members. A meeting with Askam PC had already taken place and a meeting with Dalton TC was being arranged. The project worker would implement the Parish Plans and work with both parish councils being hosted at the Nan Tait Centre by CCC who would also apply for Lottery funding for the post. It was agreed that to progress a steering group be established to discuss finer details before the funding bid was submitted. DJO'C to be the DDP Representative.</p> <p><u>Business Forum</u> Val Robinson confirmed details of the Business Forum arranged by Furness Enterprise at Dowdales School on the 11th July. Room for 25 stands was available and invitations and posters were currently being printed. It was felt that this would be an ideal opportunity to 'kick start' a new Traders Association for the Town. The DDP and Town Council will share a stand. DO'C thanked Val Robinson and Lisa Player for organising the evening.</p>	<p>DB</p>
<p>4</p>	<p>Constitution Derek Brook gave a verbal report on the proposed adoption of a constitution. A Charitable Constitution would not be appropriate and it was recommended that a simple constitution as a partnership be registered. This could be produced and signed at the next meeting. DB is to circulate a model document by e mail for approval and signing at the next meeting if suitable.</p>	<p>DB</p>
<p>5</p>	<p>Pitch Strategies DB gave brief details of background into origins of funding and reported that a pitch strategy had been carried out by CCC in the past but this was now likely to be out of date. Dalton and Askam had been identified as lacking in pitches and training areas. West Lakes renaissance have stated that they will fund up to 35% towards implementing strategies. DB & GM to arrange meeting with relevant parties to discuss way to progress.</p>	<p>DB</p>

6	<p>Funding Plans PH has spoken to Angela Knowles and NWDA. A Concept plan is now required. Phil Huck and Angela Knowles are to look at preparing a plan and report back</p>	PH & AK
7 a b	<p>Correspondence</p> <p>DCPT – Letter from John Metcalfe asking for support from the DDP for a proposed canopy on Tudor Square. This had previously been discussed by the DDP although quite some time ago. It was agreed that as further information was required before a decision could be made this matter be deferred until the next meeting and Mr Metcalfe be asked to provide a position statement.</p> <p><u>Public attendance at Meetings</u> A request had been made for public to be admitted to future DDP Meetings. Following discussion it was agreed that as minutes were to be made available, public attendance at meeting be denied. An Annual meeting could be considered and this would be submitted onto the agenda for the next meeting.</p>	DJO’C & FT
8 a	<p>Any Other Business</p> <p>Finance Drill Hall – Works on the roof now almost completed. Subject to written approval that works were to a satisfactory standard monies could be released.</p> <p>Furness Enterprise Val Robinson is to e mail details of £550,000 funding received by Fe to DJO’C and FT</p>	
9	<p>Date and Time of Next Meeting 19th July 7pm in the Town Hall Dalton</p>	